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Via ECFS
Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
445 12th Street, S.W.
Washington, D.C. 20554

**Re: In the Matter of Petition of USTelecom for Forbearance Pursuant to
47 U.S.C. Section 160(c); WC Docket No. 18-141; Category 1**

Dear FCC,

I have learned that you are considering deregulating broadband customers which could cause a loss of my current high speed internet connection! I have run a small technical company, (Murphy Technical Services) enabled by my ability to perform most of my work on the internet. In some way this is a restraint of trade situation!

Competitive suppliers keep the market fresh and innovative. Being forced to use AT&T would not only be punitive in terms of their help, as their well known contempt for their own subscribers. At one time AT&T was the world leader in communications. Some group, who probably lined their own pockets with profits from forcing AT&T to be broken up, had ruined a very good company. Their current reputation for customer help is dismal! Their innovations, obscure!

Please do not set us up for price hikes by your actions. Obviously, broadband is critical to business operators and forcing increased prices to us who use it will favor a few large companies and fatten their bottom lines not from innovation rather from restraint of resources!

Years ago we had DSL connections, now we have fibre connections that speed is essential to being able to send large packages of data quickly to customers, and they to us.

My wife owns and operates Murphy Business Services successfully from home using broadband connectivity. Your anti-competitive moves could severely impact her business viability!

Most Sincerely,

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